

**M**ORE than TWO THOUSAND persons visited our FREE CYCLE EXHIBITION yesterday afternoon and evening. Every one is welcome. Come any afternoon or evening this week and see all the new features in Bicycle construction. See the largest as well as the smallest machines in actual use. Listen to the music—get the free souvenirs—all at our expense.

The stock of bicycle clothing for men is now ready. It is by all odds the choicest line ever gathered under one roof anywhere—everything new of this season's production, and marked at about what other dealers would have to pay for them.

Spring Top Coats, too; all the correct styles and fabrics, \$7.50 to \$25.

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**STEEL BEDS**

Mayer & Pettit, Reliable Outfitters.

Enamelled and brass mounted, here is the finest and undoubtedly the cheapest bedstead ever seen in Washington. It is everlasting—can't be broken down, or worn out. Designed to supersede entirely the old-fashioned and cumbersome wooden bedstead, over which it has a dozen unquestionable advantages. We have a large stock of them, anticipating a large and remunerable sale. Introductory price only—

**\$3.48**

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**MAYER & PETTIT**  
415-417 Seventh Street

## The Times

**BONA FIDE CIRCULATION.**

The circulation of The Times for the week ended March 12, 1897, was as follows:

Saturday, March 6	36,570
Sunday, March 7	24,150
Monday, March 8	36,890
Tuesday, March 9	36,220
Wednesday, March 10	36,774
Thursday, March 11	36,720
Friday, March 12	36,800

Total copies printed—243,824

Less damaged copies, copies unsold in office and copies returned from news stands and branch offices. 16,925

Total—227,199

I hereby certify that the above is a correct statement of circulation for the week ended March 12, 1897.

WILLIAM P. LEECH, Manager of Circulation.

Advertisers are cordially invited to visit our press and mailing rooms at all times and verify the above statement.

## A NEWSPAPER EVENT

The Evening Times printed in full yesterday the President's message to Congress and a complete synopsis of the Dingley tariff bill, giving, of course, its most important protected schedules, and the free list. For the first time, there was the keener public expectation.

What the President might say was awaited with general interest, not only from the fact that he was, and is, the Apostle of Protection, and Mr. Dingley, the disciple, but because this message was the first of the kind. Administrators, again, so many alleged schedules and free lists have been published that nothing but the official "Dingley Bill" could possibly satisfy the public mind.

It was for these reasons specifically and through the enterprise generally that the Evening Times and its thousands of friends met and congratulated each other wherever its feet-footed heralds carried its important and largely exclusive contents.

The second edition of the paper, containing its usual budget of news and its two special features, was circulated and sold in immense numbers. It was, of course, just the thing for the politicians, Congressmen and unemployed statesmen, in hotel lobbies and other resorts where the President's policy and the Dingley bill have been under animated discussion ever since the inauguration.

The special edition went off with such rapidity that the supply on the streets and at the news stands fell short of the great demand.

## City Brevities

Nelson Jenifer was sentenced to ninety days in the workhouse by Judge Kimball yesterday, on the charge of vagrancy.

A concert will be given at the Union Methodist Episcopal Church at 7:30 o'clock this evening, to provide funds for church improvements.

Edward and John Hall and George Lomax, colored boys, were sentenced yesterday to fifteen days in jail by Judge Mills, on the charge of petty larceny.

John Brown, charged with the larceny of an overcoat, valued at \$18, from William Thoms, was sentenced yesterday to three months in jail by Judge Mills.

Three veteran horses of the fire department were retired from service yesterday upon condemnation by the veterinary surgeon of the District. They will be turned over to the property clerk for sale.

The will of the late John Hart was filed for probate yesterday. It bears date of May 21, 1891, names the widow, Elizabeth Hart, executrix, and gives her the entire estate for life. At her death the property is to go to her children.

Charles King and James Lomax were yesterday sentenced by Judge Kimball to ninety days in the workhouse, on the charge of larceny, and John Glassford and John Brooks, on the same charge, went down for thirty days.

Bill Against Extortion Company. The Commissioners, yesterday, sent to W. Kelley Schupp, receiver for the Extortion and Soldiers' Home Railroad Company, a bill for \$284.12, for repairing asphalt within two feet of the company's rails on G street, between Fifth and Seventh, and upon Fifth street. The receiver was also requested to repair the roadway between the tracks at the corner of Sixth street and New York avenue northwest, by April 15.

Many a delicate man and woman were for hours in the open air Thursday viewing the parade. We have a remedy—Robert's Compound. It will immediately act so on the system as to prevent any liability to catching cold. 25c is the price, and its efficiency is guaranteed. WASH. HOMEOPATHIC PHARMACY, 1007 H street northwest.

## STREETS TO BE IMPROVED

Report of District Engineer Submitted to the Commissioners.

Those Specially Named Will Take Precedence Over the Ones Designated in Regular Schedule.

Capt. Beach, assistant to Engineer-Commissioner Black, yesterday announced his schedule of streets to be improved during the coming year. It was submitted to the Commissioners for their adoption. The bill carries with it an appropriation for \$165,000. The streets specially named in the schedule will take precedence over those named in the regular schedule.

Work upon the streets will begin July 1. In the list that follows "G" and "R" means grade and macadamize, respectively. "Sp. sch." means special schedule. "G" and "R" means grade and regulate. "I" street, from Twenty-third to Twenty-sixth northwest, paved; Tenth street, from D to F northwest, widen and repave; C street, from Eleventh to Twelfth northwest, paved; Eleventh street, from C to D northwest, paved; Twelfth street, from C to D northwest, paved; Eleventh street, from B to C northwest, paved; Twenty-fifth street, from H to K northwest, paved; T street, from Seventh to Florida avenue northwest, paved; Rhode Island avenue, from New Jersey avenue to Florida avenue northwest, paved; K street, from First to North Capitol northwest, paved; H street, from Twenty-second to Twenty-third northwest, paved; sp. sch.; North Capitol street, from O to Q northwest, paved; sp. sch.

F street, from Third to Ninth northeast, paved; Florida avenue, from M to Brentwood road, G. and M.; Tenth street, from East Capitol to C. M.; Fourth street, from K to L, paved; Morris street, from Sixth to Seventh, sp. sch.

E street, from Thirtieth to Fifteenth southeast, paved; Fourth street, from C to Virginia avenue, paved; Ninth street, from Pennsylvania avenue to South Carolina avenue, paved; South Capitol street, from H to K, paved; B street, from Third to Fourth, paved; D street, from Sixth to Seventh, remove cobble rep. with asphalt blocks, sp. sch.

Third street, from H to K streets southwest, paved; Bix-and-a-half street, from D to K streets southwest, paved; Virginia avenue, from South Capitol street to Delaware avenue southwest, paved; N street, from Four-and-a-half to Sixth streets southwest, paved.

M street, from Thirty-second to Thirty-third streets, Georgetown, paved; Twenty-seventh street, from M to P street, Georgetown, G. and R.

Connecticut avenue and Columbia road, from Florida avenue to Eighteenth street extended, paved; Massachusetts avenue, extended, from Twenty-second street to Sheridan circle, paved; Spruce and Bohrer streets, from Larch street to Florida avenue, paved; Princeton and Roanoke streets, from Thirtieth street to Fourteenth street, G. and R.; paved; Clifton, Irving, Yale, Plimack, Harvard, Columbia, Steuben, Kenesaw, Wallach and Thirtieth streets, from Seventh street to Fourteenth street, G. and R.; Roanoke and Princeton streets, from Seventh street to Thirtieth street, G. and R.; Sherman avenue, G. and R.; Kenesaw avenue and Park road, G. and R.; Twelfth street extended, from Florida avenue to Mount Olivet road, G. and R.; Euphoria, from Twelfth street to Brentwood road, G. and R.; J street, from Connecticut avenue to Zoo Park, G. and gravel; Thirty-seventh street, from Back street, Tenleytown, improve; Baltimore, from Columbia road, to Twentieth street; Twentieth street to Adams Mill road, entrance to Zoo, G. and R. and paved.

## CONTRACTOR WINFREE SUE

The Vermont Marble Company Alleges That He Is Insolvent.

Asks for the Appointment of a Receiver for Money Due Winfree by the Government.

The Vermont Marble Company began a suit in equity yesterday, against William W. Winfree, the contractor, and George A. Sheehan, as trustee, asking for the appointment of a receiver for a fund received by Winfree, from the Government, and who will distribute it among the creditors of the contractor. The litigation grows out of a contract between the marble company, a New York corporation, and the contractor, to furnish marble to the latter for the new Amusement Hall, at the Soldiers' Home.

Mr. Winfree, the bill states, contracted with the Government for the erection of the building, August 15, 1892. August Burdick and George A. Sheehan became sureties on his bond for \$25,000, for the performance of his contract. The contractor agreed to pay \$35,000 to the marble company for the stone used in the building. The sum of \$19,535 is yet due on the contract, the New York corporation states. Sums are also due to other parties for work on the building, the plaintiff says, and the money due from the Government will not pay all the claims.

When this fact was learned by Winfree, it is said, he entered into an agreement with Sheehan whereby he was to place the money due him from the Government into Sheehan's hands in trust for the benefit of all the creditors. The funds were to be distributed pro rata among the creditors. This sum amounts to about \$19,000, and is now on deposit in one of the city banks, it is claimed.

In the prosecution of his suit, says the marble company, Sheehan has attempted to obtain a settlement with the plaintiff upon the terms of a surrender of its claim against Winfree. The court has refused to accept 55 per centum of their just claims against Winfree. In this manner, it is said, Messrs. Burdick and Sheehan would be released as sureties.

The marble company asserts that it believes Winfree is insolvent. The court is therefore asked to restrain him and Sheehan from distributing or dissipating the fund in the latter's hands, and to appoint a receiver to take the management of it.

Judge Bradley issued a temporary restraining order, returnable next Friday.

**THIEVES HAVE BEEN BUST.**

Nine Robberies of All Degrees Reported to Police Headquarters.

Nine robberies, including two cases of housebreaking and one of larceny from the person, were reported to police headquarters Sunday and yesterday.

Burglars entered the house of John F. Craven, No. 1905 Seventeenth street northwest, in the daytime by prying off the basement door, and got away with an overcoat, suit of clothes, pair of patent leather shoes and a pocket watch. The other burglary, at Quigley & Hart's saloon, has been published in The Times.

A penny-in-the-slot machine was stolen from in front of the store of H. H. Aldridge, No. 25 H street northwest, a pair of pants from Capital Hotel, No. 122 Four-and-a-half street northwest, a lady's brown mixed coat, the property of Mary Ross, No. 1717 New Jersey avenue northwest, a Victrola from Joseph Demar, No. 320 I street southwest, and a diamond pin from Annie Hiter, No. 1308 D street northwest.

A sneak thief entered the house of Mr. C. Fred Cooke, No. 1307 H street north west, Saturday night, but was frightened away before he secured any booty.

**It Was Not a Cat.**

"Drive that cat off the front porch," said Eliza Waters, of No. 7 Sallier's alley, to her husband, about 5 o'clock this morning. "It has been howling out there for an hour." The husband did not move quickly enough to suit his spouse and she rushed to the front door, broom in hand, to drive away the supposed feline disturber. Instead of a cat Eliza found a female colored infant, about three months old, and nearly clad, which had been deposited on her doorstep by some unknown person. She carried the waif to the Second precinct police station and from there it was sent to St. Ann's Infant Asylum.

**Charged With Housebreaking.**

Charles Wornley, Andrew Allen, "Boss" Turner, and James Cooke, young colored men, were yesterday arraigned in Judge Mills' court on the charge of housebreaking, and were held in \$1,000 for the action of the grand jury.

# You'll find bargains big and plenty

at House & Herrmann's this week. Leaders in every line of Housefurnishings. Money-savers for prudent buyers.

**CASH OR CREDIT.**

**Bed Lounges, Folding Beds, etc.**  
Seek where you will, you cannot find a line of these conveniences equal to ours, and if you want to see us about it.

**Chamber Sets.**  
Every popular style of chamber set will be found here. Oak, Mahogany, Birch, Walnut, etc. We have the very best that money can buy, and the very best you can buy with your money, whatever you want to spend. As a matter of fact, we will sell you a solid oak set, full size, for only—

**\$9.87**

**Solid Oak Sideboards.**  
These special sideboards have beveled plate mirrors, and are one of the biggest bargains you ever bought, even here. The price on this occasion is—

**\$7.11**

**Solid Oak Extension Tables.**  
Not an oak table, or an elm table, but a good substantial Solid Oak Table, fully guaranteed. Special price—

**\$3.47**

**Iron Beds.**  
We have talked about our Metal Beds before, but now we can tell you that there is no harm in repeating it. If you want an iron bed just look at our line that starts at—

**\$4.49**

**Fancy Parlor Tables.**  
A solid Oak Parlor Table, neatly finished and useful for a score of services—at the special price of—

**39c**

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These special sideboards have beveled plate mirrors, and are one of the biggest bargains you ever bought, even here. The price on this occasion is—

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Not an oak table, or an elm table, but a good substantial Solid Oak Table, fully guaranteed. Special price—

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**Straight Mattings and Carpets.**  
No doubt about it, here's the largest and best selection of Floor Coverings that cannot be duplicated by anybody's grades that nobody else would think of offering at such low prices as we are quoting. The worst thing you can do to buy cheap carpets is just because they are cheap. Come to us and you can be sold for—and have an immense assortment of patterns to choose from. You cannot want too fine for us to please you. The lightest and most convenient Carpet room in the city. See a special lot of Straight Mattings. We are selling in the roll at—

**10c yd**

**Baby Carriages.**  
We receive our supply of Baby Carriages from the three best manufacturers in this country. The baby days are almost here and you should be out as much as possible. Don't wait until the last minute—come in and look our assortment over—it is a big one, and the prices start at—

**\$3.47**

**Refrigerators.**  
Another thing you are going to need before a winter and we want to put in a word for the stock that we shall show you will find that we will do better by you, as usual, than anybody else, and we carry the best brands—and the prices are very low.

**Dinner Sets, Tea Sets, Etc.**  
Just take some prices as guides to the advantages of coming here for all such things.

**Decorated Tea Sets of 60 pieces—\$2 would be very low for them—special price—**

**\$2.87**

**12-piece Decorated Toilet Sets, new and unique design—special—**

**\$2.39**

**Decorated Dinner Sets of 112 pieces, the shapes are the very latest, the decorations very artistic, and everything about them strictly first-class. Ask us about the price.**

**Revolving Book Cases.**  
We have a line of these very serviceable pieces of furniture, that we are going to let out at very much less than they are actually worth. If you have the slightest use for one now is your chance.

**Hall Stands.**  
If you do not own a Hall Rack now is your chance. If you haven't one of the latest style now is your chance. Two, Oak or Mahogany finish Hall Racks. We will sell you a nice one with beveled French plate mirror for—

**\$4.12**

**Parlor Suites.**  
If we have got the lead in many one line more than another, it's in Parlor Suites. We have got one entire floor full and a reserved stock room filled as well. French and Over-stuffed Suites. Oak frames, and gilt frames, silk, satin, damask, plush and tapestry covered. There are all grades from the cheapest good to the richest best, and it is difficult to choose. It is worth seeing, whether you are ready to buy or not. We want to make a special offering of a Parlor Suite—gilt frame suites, covered in excellent grade of American Buckram, 5 pieces complete for only—

**\$14.97**

**Dining Chairs.**  
We have got a big line of Dining Chairs at all prices and in all grades—but the great big value that we want you to specially consider is solid Oak with cane seat, for—

**98c**

**Ingrain Remnants.**  
We have just got hold of another large lot of Ingrain Remnants of all shades and Union Ingrains. They will average about 12 to 14 yards long and are yard wide. Make excellent rugs—and we shall put them on sale tomorrow morning for your choice at—

**24c ea**

# HOUSE & HERRMANN,

Liberal Furnishers, Corner 7th and I Streets

**NEAR TAKOMA PARK**  
**COR. ASPIN STREET**  
**TO EDWINA NEWMAN GIL THIST.**

**THIS VALUABLE 10 ACRE LOT FOR SALE AT A SACRIFICE TO AN IMMEDIATE BUYER.**

**NEAR BRIGHTWOOD**

## JOHNSTONS, 729 7th St.

## Today Bargains in Groceries.

Besides the advantage of our special bargain prices you have the additional satisfaction in securing always the freshest and purest goods from us direct from the producer.

## The Idea Is This:

We handle such immense quantities of every item in the food supply business that it is a well-known fact to get everything fresh "go to Johnston's."

## SALE.

Levering's Pkg. Coffee	14 1-2c
Artificial Coffee	14 1-2c
Java and Mocha Coffee	30c
5 lbs. Sugar free with 3-lb. purchase of Java and Mocha Coffee	15c
Golden Ro Coffee (large grain)	15c
Good Coffee (whole grain)	14c
Best Mixed Tea, lb.	50c
Gunpowder Tea, lb.	50c
Oolong Tea (black), lb.	50c
Unbleached Japan Tea, lb.	60c
Extra Fine Jap. Tea, lb.	80c
Extra Good Japan Tea, lb.	80c
Extra Gunpowder Tea, lb.	80c
Silver Leaf Japan Tea, lb.	80c
5 lbs. of Sugar given to each purchaser of one pound of any of the Teas quoted above.	
Whitman's Cocoa, pkg.	20c
10c Cocoa, pkg.	10c
25c Box Toilet Soap	10c
Butter Dishes of Mustard	10c
Sugar Boy's Mustard	10c
Cream Pitchers Mustard	10c
Cal. Table Frenches (can)	15c
Best Florida Oranges (can)	15c
Star Condensed Milk (can)	7c
Baby Condensed Milk	9c

## FREE!

100-piece China Dinner Sets.  
50-piece China Tea Sets.  
100-piece China Toilet Sets.

These magnificent sets of China-ware are given to our customers, notwithstanding the fact that our prices are so much more attractive to the purchaser, because of the great saving in money.

Bring your completed premium cards, and make your selection of China-ware—we will deliver the sets to your residence.

## GIVEN.

New premium cards being given out to new customers, and to those having completed their cards. Full information printed on each premium card. Ask at our office for a premium card.

## Butterine,

**14 cts**

**2 1/2 cts**

**5 cts**

**6 1/2 cts**

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## The Busy Corner 8th and Market Space

## S. Kann, Sons & Co.

## OUR

**2d GRAND**

## Rebuilding Sale

## Domestic Values for Tuesday:

Fast-colored Gingham, worth 5c a yard, out from the piece	2 1/2c
Unbleached Canton Flannel, worth 5c a yard	2 1/2c
Fruit of the Loom Bleached Muslin, worth 5c a yard	5c
Fine Zephyr Flannel, Scotch effects, worth 10c a yard	5 1/2c
White Star Brand new spring curtains, worth 12 1/2c a yard	8 1/2c
Double-width Dress Goods, sheepskin checks and flannels, worth 12 1/2c a yard	8 1/2c
34-inch Two-tone Novelty Scotch Check Dress Goods, worth 10c a yard	11 1/2c
Remnants of Pretty Lawns and light-cream Cottons	3 1/2c
Remnants of Creaming Drapery, worth 12 1/2c a yard	7 1/2c

## A FEW ITEMS IN

## LINENS

**LINEN DEPARTMENT.**  
25 pieces of Silver-Beached German Table Linen, elegant new, choice designs, extra heavy, quality and finish, full 66 inches wide, regular 50c value—

**36c. yd.**

**10c. each.**

**10c. a pair.**

**2c. each.**

**55c. yd.**

## S. Kann, Sons & Co.

8th and Market Space.  
Prices lower than any other House in the United States.

**We Are Closing Out this stock Of Clothing with An utter disregard of Worth or rightful price, To be candid about it we Are losing money—but we Are SATISFIED—because We are bound to move into Our new store—923 Pa. Ave. on April 1, with A brand new stock. Your bargain Time is Now!**

## M. DYRENFORTH & CO.

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Under Metropolitan Hotel.

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—in your houses, and brings happiness and peace to the family circle—see mean our easy purchase system, so nicely adjusted to meet your circumstances. Furnish one room, or your entire house, or with

**Fine Furniture and Carpets.**

We'll cheerfully help you and at such low prices that you dare not be touched by competitors.

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LOOK BETTER, WEAR LONGER, COST LESS

Than any others sold in Washington.

Winter Clothing all this week at just 40c on the dollar.

**NEW YORK CLOTHING HOUSE,**  
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## DRUNKENNESS

It can be given without the knowledge of the patient in coffee, tea or articles of food; will cure every case of drunkenness, whether it is a moderate drinker or an alcoholic wreck. Book of particulars free to be had of

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